

**SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

**HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE**

**DOCKET NOS. [2017-370-E](#), [2017-207-E](#), [2017-305-E](#) ORDER NO. 2018-130-H**

**SEPTEMBER 21, 2018**

David Butler  
Hearing Officer

**DOCKET DESCRIPTION:**

**Docket No. 2017-370-E** – Joint Application and Petition of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company and Dominion Energy, Incorporated for Review and Approval of a Proposed Business Combination between SCANA Corporation and Dominion Energy, Incorporated, as May Be Required, and for a Prudency Determination Regarding the Abandonment of the V.C. Summer Units 2 & 3 Project and Associated Customer Benefits and Cost Recovery Plans

**Docket No. 2017-207-E** – Friends of the Earth and Sierra Club, Complainant/Petitioner v. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, Defendant/Respondent

**Docket No. 2017-305-E** – Request of the Office of Regulatory Staff for Rate Relief to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Rates Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-920

**MATTERS UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

**Mandatory Pre-Hearing Conference**

**Deadline for Submission of List of Non-Prefiled Witnesses**

**Use of Panels at Hearing on the Merits**

**HEARING OFFICER ACTION:****1) Mandatory Pre-Hearing Conference**

A mandatory pre-hearing conference for all attorneys participating in the SCE&G nuclear dockets merits hearing beginning on November 1, 2018 will be held in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210, beginning at **2:00 pm on Thursday, October 4, 2018**. Non-local attorneys may participate through a telephone bridge which will be established. Attorneys who intend to participate through the telephone bridge must notify this Hearing Officer and Deborah Easterling of the Commission Staff ([Deborah.Easterling@psc.sc.gov](mailto:Deborah.Easterling@psc.sc.gov)) as soon as possible and indicate the number of lines that will be needed if you are responding for a group of attorneys who will be calling in on separate lines.

**2) Deadline for Submission of List of Non-Prefiled Witnesses**

It has come to the Commission's attention that the parties may desire at the merits hearing to request the admission of deposition evidence into the record or may wish to otherwise present witnesses whose testimony has not been pre-filed under Commission regulations, but which otherwise may be admissible into the record of this case through other legal means. The parties shall furnish a list of such witnesses to the Commission on or before the close of business on **October 15, 2018**. Submission of the names of such witnesses does not bestow automatic admissibility of said witnesses' testimony, which must be admissible under the rules of evidence and procedure, and which will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**3) Use of Panels for the Presentation of Testimony**

The Chairman has approved the use of panels for the presentation of witnesses during the merits proceeding in these dockets. If so used, each party must furnish name plates for the identification of each panel member, and panels are limited to no more than three members each.

If, after reviewing the panels to be presented, and if it deems it appropriate and necessary, the Commission reserves the right to require the presentation of any panel member singly, for clarity or for other appropriate reasons. The Commission does not intend to invoke this rule routinely, but only in limited circumstances.